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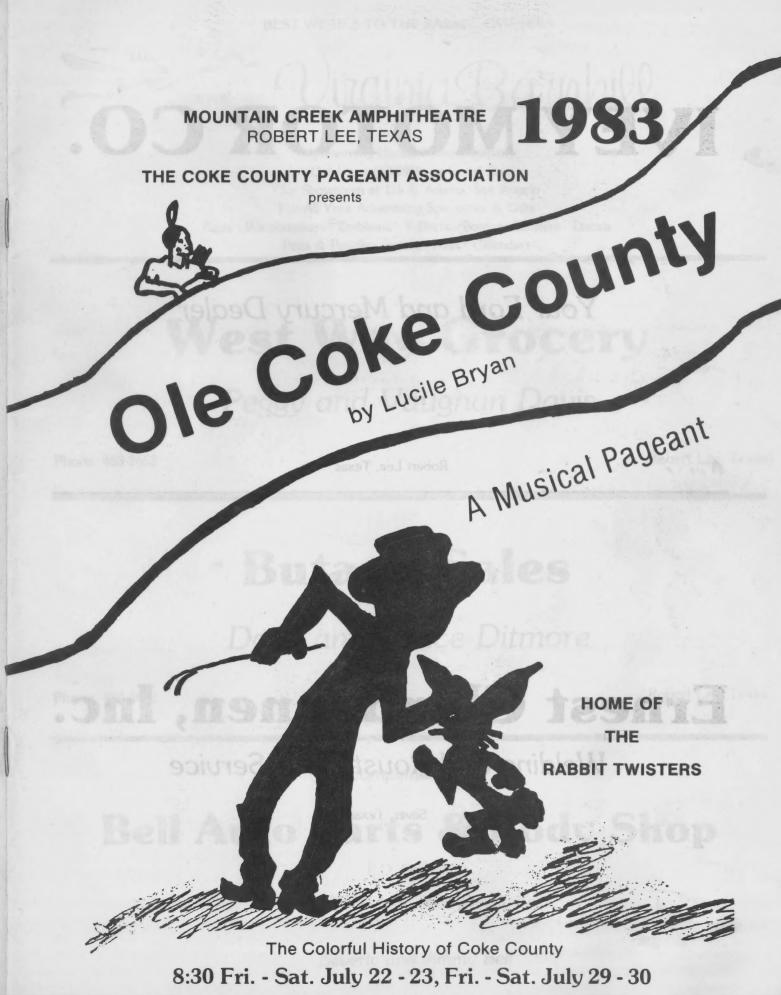


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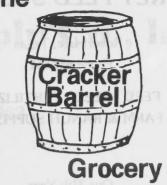
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"OLE COKE COUNTY" - Home of the Rabbit Twisters

OVERTURE: A Singin' Choir FLAG CEREMONY: Wilson Bryan, Barbara Chesney, Choir & Audience

ACT I - THE BEGINNING

Oak Creek Powwow Ole George, Surveyor Legend of Mount Margaret

ACT II - GROWING PAINS

Settlers Came to Stay

INTERMISSION

Fight for the County Seat Smoked Records and Suicide

ACT III - OLE COKE COUNTY

The Gossips Points of View Nothin' but Trouble

FINALE

ORIGINAL SONGS

"Ole Coke County", Theme Song: "Coke County Rabbit Twister";

"Great Spirit": "Indian Dance":

"We'll Never Know"; "My Texas Home":

"Fight Song" (melody from ballad);

"School Teacher Sweetheart": "Points of View":

"Coke County - Wet? Dry?" (Lucile Bryan)

"Mount Margaret" (Tune, Kerry Mills Red Wing) Bonita Copeland: "It's Gonna Be Home" (Tune, L. Bryan) words Don Fields;

"Meetin' at the Mott" (Tune, Pauline Vaughan) words L. Bryan; "Rattlesnakes In My Bed" (Tune, L. Bryan) words Ross Welch;

ORIGINAL SCRIPT OTHER THAN LUCILE BRYAN: Dialogue for W. A. Puett; Don Masters
Ole George's Story; Roy D. Holt, *Heap Many Texas Chiefs* The Gossips; Written and directed by Don Fields

Nothin' But Trouble; Written by Kathy Post and Nita Gay Williams

Much of the historical material of the pageant is based on the book, "A HISTORY OF COKE COUNTY Home of the Rabbit Twisters" by Jessie Newton Yarbrough.

THEME SONG

Gather round an' listen to my fascinatin' story about some fearless people of an early day: Carved out a county never seeking fame or glory, Gave themselves to building in their pioneer way. Ole Coke County! Bold Coke County! Those Rabbit Twisters came to stay; Hail to the hardy pioneers who came before us: County of Coke in Texas, U.S.A.

THE CHOIR

Director	Bonita Copeland
Pianist	Barbara Chesney
Choir Members	Melba Long, Gaye Williams,
	Kaye Pitcock, Kathy Post, Lynda Ray,
	Floy Sawyer, Frances Cox, Les Copeland
	Dee McCleskey, Kenneth Lackey, Ben Boykin,
	Billie Schooley, Irma Casey, & Mary Patterson

Written & Directed by LUCILE BRYAN ACT I THE BEGINNING

Scene I	OAK CREEK PO	WWOW
Commanche Trib	al Chief Sanaco	Bill Helwig
		Gary Davis
Neighboring Com	manche Chief Katemcy (soloist)	Dee T. McCleskey
		Rose Mary Costilla
Voice of Thunder	· · · · · · ·	John Hinnard
Indian Playtime		. Marie Thompson, Jonathan Garringer,
	Amy	Johnson, Sybil Abbott, Stephanie Bryan,
		hompson, Ricky Post, Stephanie Rogers,
	Rachel Shook, Ron Wagoner, I	Paul Abbott, Jon Rogers, & Joel Herring
Indian Dancers		Blake Pitcock, Judd Pitcock,
,		thony Wink, Jason Bowers, Shelbi Grim,
		dra Pitcock, Jim Wagoner, & Traci Blair
Mounted Comma	nche Youths	Jay Parker, Amie Parker,
		Darla Scott, Eboni Taylor, Misti Taylor,
		Brent Taylor, Scott Ray & Thad Metcalf

Scene 2	SAM MAVERICK'S SURVEY
Happy George	

Scene 3 WE'LL NEVER KNOW (LEGEND OF MT. MARGARET)

Father	Glenn Skelton
Mother	
Margaret, daughter	
Thomas, son	
Indian	
Thomas (as an adult)	Stanley Ray

ACT II GROWING PAINS

SETTLERS CAME TO STAY Scene 1

Joseph Tomlinson
Susan Tomlinson, wife
Abigail Tomlinson, daughter, 16
Cynthia Tomlinson, Little Sister
Little Joe Tomlinson, son
Lucinda (Widder) Potter
Robert Potter, son
Isaac Whitaker Richard Johnson
Samantha Whitaker, wife
Mary Ann Whitaker, daughter Lisa Bower
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THREE-WAY FIGHT FOR THE COUNTY SEAT Scene 3 HAVRICK

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Coke County Judge G. W. Perryman	Sterling Lindsey
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Perlie & Henry Hayseed	
Mr. & Mrs. Milquetoast	
Mr. & Mrs. Brave	
Mr. & Mrs. Twister	
Citizens	Barbara Chesney & Dee T. McCleskey
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Col T I Odom	Lannie Bloodworth

Eugene Cartledge	Gaylon Pitcock
Aunt Lizzie Davis	Edna Havins
Mrs. Lovely	Debbie Stelter
	Gaye Williams
	Fred Beaty
Citizens	Melba Long & Ralph Godfrey
	Choir Members
UNION CITY:	
Sister Post	Kathy Post
Mrs. J. W. Key	Irma Casev
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Scene 3	SMOKED RECORDS AND SUICIDE
Grandma Remem	Bob Taylor ers It All! Della Dean
Bertha	
	ACT III

ACT III **OLE COKE COUNTY**

Scene 1	THE GOSSIPS	
Maud Pearl Eller Emma	The	Edna Havins Pauline Vaughan Janet Baker . Mildred Reese

POINTS OF VIEW Scene 2 FREE RANGERS: Mack...... Dee T. McCleskey Snake Richard Johnson Slick Jerome Hanna John Glenn Skelton Luke Ron Exum RANCHERS: Col. T. L. Odom..... Lonnie Bloodworth L. B. Harris Bill Helwig John McCabeFred McCabe, Jr. Press Walling.....Fred Beaty

NOTHIN' BUT TROUBLE Scene 3 Levi, family man Robert Wink Sally, daughter Johanna Service Joe Bob, son Jason Wink Buck Gaylon Pitcock Emma, wife Kaye Pitcock Harley, of Blue Goose Phil Ray Glory, helper Debbie Stelter

A. W. Puett, Editor Bob Taylor **FINALE**

Local Temperance LeaderLynda Ray

About The Pageant

"OLE COKE COUNTY - Home of the Rabbit Twisters", was written and directed by Lucile Bryan in 1976 as a project of Robert Lee Bicentennial Committee. Her primary source of information was Jessie N. Yarbrough's, History of Coke County, Home of the Rabbit Twisters. The play was produced on Robert Lee High School stage by Coke County citizens and decendents of old timers from Robert Lee and Bronte, numerous rural communities in the county, and from several college campuses.

A long range plan of the Bicentennial Committee was to construct an amphitheatre and to produce a play annually to perpetuate knowledge of the area's heritage, and to give opportunity for county-wide cultural recreation through drama. As a result of positive action, Coke County Pageant Association, Inc., was organized in 1977. Mountain Creek Amphitheatre was built in 1978 with the first annual production of "OLE COKE COUNTY - Home of the Rabbit Twisters" shown under the auspisis of the new organization to appreciative audiences July 28 - 29, 1978. The sixth annual production will be seen July 22 - 23, and July 29 - 30, 1983.

Some people give Wilson and Lucile Bryan most of the credit for creating Mountain Creek Amphitheatre and the musical pageant. How did they do it? They explain, "We were available, the time was right, and many Coke County citizens pitched in to help."

Lucile Bryan, B.A., M.A., Sul Ross University, spent the last twenty-one years of her teaching career in Robert Lee as Elementary School Music Teacher. Those were the happiest of her thirty-nine years in classrooms because, she exclaims, "It was such fun to present two annual musicals with all of my pupils, kindergarten through grade six, on stage!" She loves writing for and directing large casts, but she admits "OLE COKE COUNTY - Home of the Rabbit Twisters" is her most challenging creative effort.

Wilson Bryan, retired sand, gravel, and concrete business man, easily visualized Mountain Creek Amphitheatre when he located the wasteland just below Robert Lee's City Lake on Mountain Creek. Many people on both sides of the county were asked their opinions concerning the location. The general feeling was favorable because it was adjacent to Coke County Recreation Center, two baseball fields, and other county recreation facilities; electricity was already available; the area was made available to the Association at no expense; and no other land was offered as an alternative. Work on the theatre was begun December 7, 1977.

The Bryans believe in the value of "OLE COKE COUNTY - Home of the Rabbit Twisters." Their dream that Coke County Pageant Association, Inc., might live, that its purposes might prosper, and that more and more Rabbit Twisters would become involved, has become a reality. Numerous young people are writing script, composing music, and directing. Others create props and work with construction and operation of the theatre and its light and sound systems, thus providing continuity and growth of the play and the organization. The Bryans urge "Join in! Coke County's Heritage is worth the saving!"

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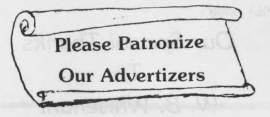
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Welcome to the sixth annual production of "Ole Coke County - Home of the Rabbit Twisters."

We "Rabbit Twisters" of Coke County are proud of our heritage and feel that the production of this pageant will serve to make the history and appreciation of this heritage more real. The dedication of the director, actors, musicians, writers, composers and the Coke County Pageant Association members had made this a meaningful addition to the cultural life of the county wide community.

We hope you enjoy your visit and invite you to come back in 1984.

Sincerely,
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